

Proclamation

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a great evil and an offense against human dignity that shatters lives and robs children of their innocence; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana is the second in the nation for men killing women and many victims suffer in silence; and

WHEREAS, everyone has a role to play in making families successful, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, nonprofit agencies, policyholders, and, of course, families themselves; and

WHEREAS, BREAK THE SILENCE will be the first phase to raise public awareness. The second phase of the campaign, MAKE THE CALL, is not only aimed at victims of family abuse, but also their friends; and

WHEREAS, October 16-20 will be proclaimed BREAK THE SILENCE, MAKE THE CALL WEEK.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 16 through October 20, as

BREAK THE SILENCE, MAKE THE CALL WEEK

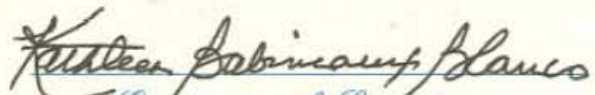
and encourage all Louisiana citizens to join this joint effort with other concerned citizens to heal domestic violence



Attest By
The Governor


Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 21st day of September
A.D., 2006*


Governor of Louisiana